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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

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International Application No.  
PCT/JP2005/001715

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Priority Date Claimed  
February 6, 2004

**Title of Invention**

VARIABLE VALVE OPERATING DEVICE FOR ENGINE

**Applicant(s) For DO/EO/US**

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. §371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau. **ATTACHMENT A**
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)). **ATTACHMENT B**
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19.
9. ☒ An (EXECUTED) oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)). **ATTACHMENT C**
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)).

**Items 11. to 14. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. **ATTACHMENT D**
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.  
**ATTACHMENT E**
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment. **ATTACHMENT F**
  - ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ Other items or information:

Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document - **ATTACHMENT G**

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Tetsuo MURAJI et al. : **MAIL STOP: PCT**  
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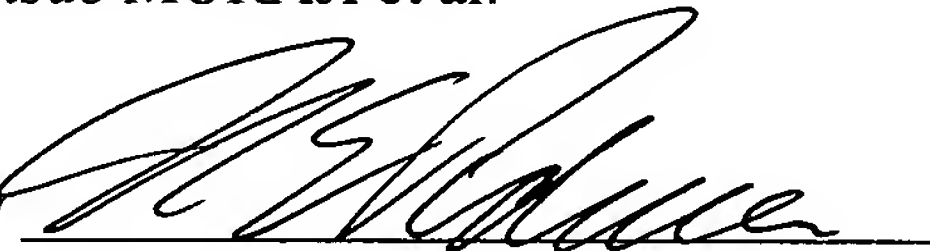
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Sir:

The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney includes both Japanese language text and English language text. The English language text constitutes an accurate translation of the Japanese language text.

Respectfully submitted,

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